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Oswald was a propaganda addict. Wherever he went, his piles of underground newspapers and bales of black pamphlets went, too. He was hooked, and willingly spent his meager income to feed his habit. Perhaps "you are what you eat," but the food for the mind is far more important than food for the body, as any fanatic will tell you.

And because he was an addict, Oswald was also a captive, chained by an invisible but unbreakable link of beliefs to propaganda pushers who promised him honor, recognition and fulfillment... if only he would work, speak and sacrifice for them. Oswald, after nine years of propaganda addiction, was powerless to deny his dark destiny. He was hooked.

On November 8th in Miami Beach, President John F. Kennedy attacked Oswald's idol, Fidel Castro, and his "small band of conspirators". Oswald was seized by the same kind of fear/hatred/lust a maniac feels when his connection is busted by the cops. When Oswald pulled the trigger a few days later in Dallas, all of his hopes and hates spurted out of the barrel of the gun. With a few bullets Oswald...

...protected Castro in Cuba, since no one dared mention invading Cuba again lest it be considered a reminder of the Bay of Pigs fiasco and thus criticism of the martyred President Kennedy.

...triggered a revolution in America, since all the malcontents who had been crying for violence learned that it would work, beyond their fondest dreams.

...earned instant fame, since men everywhere now know the name and face of the lonely little loser, Lee Harvey Oswald.

Could all these effects have been incited by mere words, from distant sources?

A mass merchandiser doesn't need to know the names of the customers who buy his carpets or cornflakes. All he does is advertise and make the product available, trusting the ideas to cause action. Similarly the modern propagandist doesn't care who acts out his orders, as long as the job gets done.

But to many Americans this sounds too simple, words don't seem so strong. In vol. IX, page 425 of the Warren Commission Hearings there is this exchange between Commission

# THE GREAT ASSASSIN PUZZLE PART 2 by ED BUTLER

A WESTWOOD VILLAGE EXCLUSIVE



Counsel Wesley J. Liebeler and Michael Paine, husband of Ruth Paine, who had befriended the Oswalds and taken them into her home: "Mr. Liebeler: Did you have any discussion with Oswald about these periodicals? (The WORKER and The MILITANT?)

Mr. Paine: Yes. He said in regard to, I think the WORKER at least it was the WORKER he gave me to look at as the result of his conversation, he told me that if you knew how to read the thing and read between the lines a little bit you could see what they wanted you to do."

Paine took this as proof that Oswald was far from the center of Communist power, rather than as evidence of the breadth and complexity of that power.

For the ability to manipulate murder by remote control, with minimal contact, seems far more frightening than conspiracy in a closet which can easily be detected.

The Warren Commission of distinguished Americans was set up to make the facts clear to the public. But just like the so called Kerner and Walker Commissions which followed, all its investigation only created more confusion and grist for the scoundrels who sought money or political power from the misery.

**IS THE LEFT RIGHT?**

Writing in the Washington STAR of May 7, 1967, Reed J. Irvine reported that Arthur Krock of the New York TIMES had put his finger on a central weakness in the Warren Commission Report when Krock posed this question:

**"...If you knew how to read between the lines (of the Communist newspaper WORKER) you could see what they wanted you to do."** Lee Harvey Oswald

"...in a passage in this same speech that might well have been suggestive to expert rifleman Oswald, Castro said: "We must know what our duties are in the struggle against the counter-revolutionary offensive of imperialism and in the struggle for the economy. With the rifle and the work tool, the work tool and the rifle, with these both we must bring about our vic-

son, and all the rest of us SQUARES who refuse to endure it for a day Oswald was a Tyrannist, and Kennedy was a SQUARE, "left" and "Right" preceding the assassination was spewing forth his hatred of John F. Kennedy. For example, the issue of October 7, which was found among Oswald's possessions, carried two vicious attacks on the President. He was caricatured as a "determined partner" of Mississippi's Senator Eastland. It was charged that Kennedy was clinging to the Dixiecrats and that everything he did was done "in order to subordinate the whole to the interests of the ruling capitalist clique."

"The following week, THE MILITANT published an inflammatory speech by Oswald's hero, Fidel Castro. Castro followed the party line in denouncing Kennedy as a demagogue who was not sincere in his support of civil rights. Castro fumigated. "His business is to win votes, while the brutal acts of murder and terrorism continue. He went on to accuse the U.S. of trying to strangle Cuba and declared: "We cannot consider ourselves at peace with the imperialists," i.e. the U.S. led by John F. Kennedy.

UNCLE SAM as a domineering deathseer from the Los Angeles FREE PRESS is but one example of the symbol smiting hate-propaganda to be found in underground newspapers today. After months or years of such conditioning, people begin to think of other people as "pigs" or "deathheads," and their nation as decadent. Then butchery becomes easy, and assassination.



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widened about the true facts regarding Oswald's motivation, guilt, and method.

How did the clouds of confusion gather? Why? To understand is to prevent further assassinations and violence. Therefore it is crucial to go back to the tragic hours just after the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. While most of the world was semi-speechless, submerged in a state of profound shock, the guilty were working desperately overtime to develop an alibi.

**CASTRO'S COMMENTS**

In a surprise broadcast on Saturday, November 23rd, after the assassination, Castro claimed that both the Eisenhower and Kennedy administrations were "characterized by hostile and implacable" policies toward Cuba. He claimed that Kennedy's "conduct carried the world to the brink of war" during the missile crisis and the Bay of Pigs invasion. But he said his regime had nothing to do with the assassination. Investigating against the "anti-Communist hysteria, anti-progressive, anti-biperial, anti-Soviet, anti-Cuban, reactionary, adventurous, warlike" views of his enemies, Castro said "it is a lie" that Oswald headed a Fair Play for Cuba Committee in New Orleans and then began to ask the questions that were later echoed in the United States. Castro wondered about Oswald: "Is he really guilty? Perhaps he is a psychopath, possibly an instrument of the most reactionary circles of the United States.

Then Castro jumped from conjecture to categorical certainty: "Conditions were not propitious for an assassination by leftists, but for ultra-reactionaries, yes." "Everything indicated there was a well-prepared plan and that Oswald was prepared by ultra-reactionary elements in the United States.

"The American people should demand to know what is behind Kennedy's assassination," Castro suggested. Then he concluded: "'Let the enemies of our Fatherland know that they will always find us firm, ready to fulfill our motto — 'Fatherland or death, we shall win!'"

**THE RED LINE**

If propaganda impelled the killer, propaganda also papered over the

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USA newspaper **THE WORKER** had taken the offensive in the United States, with scathing attacks and corrosive innuendo aimed at the familiar scapegoats — FBI, CIA, refugees and Rightists. The **Worker** printed and distributed thousands of handouts headlined "Defend America—Punish the Assassins."

Edward J. Mowrey, New York correspondent for Advance News Service quoted the Communists as claiming:

"the finger of guilt points beyond the trigger man who wounded the assassin, who was a criminal cabal of white

citizen councilmen, big society plotters, national States Rights Party chieftains, minutenmen bandits

and other para-military fascist-racist groups."

In what Mowrey dryly termed "a heavy handed distortion of facts" the Communist handout went on to state that J. Edgar Hoover "would have to account to the nation for the dismal failure of the FBI to bring the neo-fascist plotters against the President's life and the nation's liberties to justice."

#### THE WORLD WORD WAR

On December 2nd the AP's Preston Grover reported from Moscow that

"clearly something akin to a world-wide effort is being made to bring in

available reports aimed at showing that Communists had nothing to do

with the Nov. 22nd assassination,

and that Rightists were to blame."

A day later, IZVESTIA suggested

that the FBI was implicated in the

shooting.

The official Communist press con-

tinued to exculpate Oswald, and all

over the world concealed Communist

journalists in objective media parrot-

ed the Red line. But there were slip-

ups, for not all of the comrades got

the message.

#### THEY SMILED WHEN THEY SAT DOWN TO SLY

For example, when two U.S. Army

helicopter pilots, Capts. Ben W. Stutts

of Florence, Alabama and Charleston

Volz of Frankfurt, Michigan were re-

leased after a year in prison in North

Korea, they described how their

guards reacted to the Kennedy assas-

sination. Volz said:

"They (the Korean guards) were

very proud of the fact. They had a

big smile and said he (Kennedy) had

been shot by some loyal Communist

Party member in the United States."

USA newspaper **THE WORKER** had disclosed to me that Fidel and his comrades had also laughed when the word came through on the Kennedy assassination.

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March on the Pentagon and in Chicago. And Eric Norden's claim to objectivity is enshrined in a little piece he did for *LIBERATION* called "American Atrocities in Vietnam," which is full of hate-America propaganda and photos excelling the finest products of Hanoi's Ministry of Truth. Of course, not all of Lane's cronies are as expert as Eric Norden. Some are like comedian Mort Sahl, who has become a resident jester at the Criminal Courts on Tulane and Broad in New Orleans.

REVIEWS AND WILLS

Professor of Classics at the University of Chicago and former Director of Research in a secret Agency in the War Department," Revilo P. Oliver apparently thought, "he had solved the J.F.K. assassination by his duties as an agent of the Conspiracy" upon returning to the U.S. from Russia. Oliver then described how Oswald "was sent" to murder General Walker and President Kennedy.

While there is much that is true in Oliver's article, "Marxism in Dallas," there is also much that is misleading. Oliver could not seem to credit the good faith of men like the President's own brother, the late Senator Robert F. Kennedy. Moreover, the preeminent role of propaganda in inciting this assassination was ignored by Oliver in his certificate of a direct conspiracy. The article is laden with Latin phrases and quaint parables from ancient history (e.g., "Even Nero had one concubine who loved him. Acte wept for him and saw to it that his body was decently buried. And we honor her for it.") Sure we do.

But one searches in vain for a realistic human insight into Oswald's tortured mind. Like another classics professor named Garry Wills, (who writes ambitious articles in *ESQUIRE* about Oswald, Ruby and "America's Second Civil War," based on a pathetic misunderstanding of the available data) Professor Oliver was simply out of touch with Oswald's ideas and generation. I believe Dr. Oliver has since parted from the John Birch Society under tense circumstances. But presumably, Wills is still with

per fideli.  
**WILCO WEISBERG**  
Although Lane, Norton and Sahli are pros; Oliver is a colorful old codger, none can compete for sheer boast with a goose farmer in white sox named Harold Weisberg. On the cover of one of his books, Weisberg bills himself as "a former Senate investigator, editor, investigative reporter, O.S.S. intelligence & definitive analyst, (who) has done the writing on the Kennedy assassination and its official inquiry." Very impressive. But not very complete. When I debated him on the Joe Pyne show, Weisberg denied he was fined from the La Follette Civil Liberties Committee for revealing confidential Committee information and blamed his troubles on the late Senator La Follette. Weisberg was first fired and later allowed to resign without prejudice from the State Department but I found it almost impossible to question him about these facts. Then there was the case of the forged lat letters. Weisberg had bought certain letters which purported to link Congressman Martin Dies with Fascist and Nazi organizations and turned them over to Congressman H. H. (Hank) Hook put them in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD only to learn from his dismay that they were pasted-up fakes.

A libel suit brought by refugee Carlos Bringuier against Weisberg was recently settled out of court for \$5,000 by Weisberg's publishers. The strange scene in New Orleans is easier to understand when you read clippings Weisberg has reprinted on the back cover of *Photographic Whitewash*. One clip, from the Washington POST, states succinctly "The investigation is Garrison but, the script apparently started with Harold Weisberg . . ."

**THE BIGGEST UNDERDOG**  
In New Orleans O.A. Jim Garrison plays the local underdog fighting the "Eastern Establishment" and news media to bring the truth to the people. This is quite a trick for a 6'6" giant, who wields police power ruthlessly to pick up people in the middle of the night (as he did Clay Shaw), throw them in jail (as he did Aaron Kohn), subject them to publicistic

What is the man like? I recall my last discussion with Garrison. Four men were present, besides Garrison and myself; Dr. Alton Ochsner the

gazing for both sides. As he went on, gazing at his fingertips, tapping them, his voice gained authority and he spoke as though he were dealing in facts. Oswald "did" this, Ruby "thought" that, Kennedy "had to know" something else. It was a virtuoso performance. Yet

If you had known Oswald as I had, you knew it was a performance. But under the pressure Garrison was almost certainly beginning to believe it. The luncheon finally broke up in smiles. Garrison asked me to maintain contact with his office. And as we shook hands I could sense how desperately he wanted to make good on the boasts he made.

Garrison, like thousands of other Americans had first been misled by the Weisberg/Lane concoctions, and the deeper he dug the further from the facts he drifted, because he had begun from the wrong premise.

Garrison, persuading him to relax and sit down because we had some important information to impart about Mark Lana. He did, and nervously ordered a Gibson.

When he satisfied himself that we were genuinely there to warn him — rather than to deliver an ultimatum — he relaxed and began to spin his

**THE IMAGINARY OSWALD**  
Ha told us the story he thought we wanted to hear. True, he said maybe Oswald wasn't a Communist. Oswald was probably a "double agent" work-

JIM GARRISON and his guru MARK LANE have been constant companions during the "investigation."



had been CIA employees." By September 22, 1967, Garrison, evaluation board at Brooke Army Hospital, San Antonio, which, according to the TRIBUNE, said:

"This patient (Garrison) has a severe and disabling psychoneurosis of long duration. It has interfered with his social and professional adjustment to a marked degree. He is considered totally disabled from the standpoint of military duty."

#### THE VICTIMS

Many people have suffered because of the Lane/Weisberg/Garrison witch-hunt and it is impossible to list them all here. However, a few of the most important victims and their stories cannot be omitted. They are:

**Clay Shaw** — retired head of the International Trade Mart, a great First Kennedy Democrat with a great deal of experience in Latin American affairs. Shaw's circumstances have been much reduced by the costs of the case. His lawyers have charged that D.A. Jim Garrison has entered into a conspiracy with the demonstrators of the Warren Commission Report to deprive Clay L. Shaw of his civil rights, and that the investigation seeks to destroy confidence in the United States government.

They hesitate to go to trial in Garrison's State because even the Governor has expressed fear of the powerful D.A., who has no hesitation about using both his police and political power to reward friends and punish enemies.

**Aaron Kohn**, Executive Director of the New Orleans Metropolitan Crime Commission, was clapped into jail by Garrison. The District Attorney's political machine has great power in New Orleans, and courage is required to contradict the "Jolly Green Giant." Kohn has reported in the TIMES-PICTURELINE: "The connecting link at every level of operation from the oligarch sponsors of the assassination down to the Dallas police department through Jack Ruby and including anti-Castro adventurers at the operating level advanced, Nazi-oriented." He added, "It was essentially a Nazi operation." Garrison embroiled himself in a conflict with most of the District Attorneys in the United States when he obstinately shut down their barbary in New Orleans. He subpoenaed Garrison's strange shenanigans on behalf of a stripper, William Gurnich — Former Chief of the Presidency, danger for the Chief Executive himself, and aide to Garrison and head of an establishment New Orleans Private Detective and Security Agency. Gurnich quit Garrison's assassination investigation on June 26th taking with him his Master File on the case. Gurnich revealed that among other things he had heard stories about Garrison's mental history on December 29 and Garrison planned to raid the local

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Report has itself stirred up so much partisan criticism that there is now little likelihood that any official statements will gain full credence. Private citizens must therefore assume the responsibility to actively assist:

#### CITIZENS COMMISSION

##### ON CONFLICT

Now that a new administration is taking over, many of the questions about the violence that has shaken America can be re-examined by objective analysts who had nothing to gain or lose from the crime.

Moreover, the recent urban and campus violence, climaxed by the assassinations of Robert F. Kennedy and Martin Luther King, Jr. all command a single course. An entirely new, wholly private inquiry must be launched, to parallel anything government may do.

This "Citizens Commission on Conflict" should be empowered to pursue the following lines of inquiry, among others:

- 1) Castro's complicity in the assassinations, riots, and mass violence that have ripped America, since it is essential to counter the flood of poison at its source.
- 2) The role of some of the "Assassination Critics" in confusing and distorting facts and evidence, with special emphasis on the Garrison/Lane/Weisberg witch hunt.
- 3) The shadowy influence of so-called Underground Media on the escalation and coordination of violence in our nation, should be explored, while at the same time safeguarding freedom of speech.
- 4) The condensation and reorganization of the materials contained in the 25 volumes of the Warren Commission Report, along with any evidence gleaned or declassified in recent years, in a form suitable for public study.
- 5) The thorough critique and re-evaluation of the findings of the Kerner Commission and the Commission on Violence so that all results and conclusions may be integrated in a final analysis and recommendation regarding future prospects and procedures.

SQUARE Magazine has decided to take the initiative in convening the first sessions of the Citizens Commission on Conflict. Our deliberations will include (but not be limited to) topics listed above. Prestigious private organizations will

be urged to co-sponsor. Distinguished

private individuals will be urged to participate. The overriding goal will be to discover once and for all the most humane and effective means of preventing the deliberate creation of "propaganda addicts" like Lee Harvey Oswald.

##### IMPORTANT AFTERWORD

As this issue went to press, Student Committees on Conflict were convened at Valley State and U.C.L.A. If you would like to learn more, complete, clip and return this coupon. Now. ■

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